



Permanent Select Committee  
on Intelligence  
U.S. House of Representatives

September 25, 2019

The Honorable Joseph Maguire  
Acting Director of National Intelligence  
Office of the Director of National Intelligence  
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Acting Director Maguire:

In a letter sent to you today, September 25, 2019, the attorney for the Intelligence Community whistleblower who submitted on August 12, 2019 the complaint that you have withheld from the Committee reaffirmed his client's request for direction on how to communicate directly with the Committee in accordance with appropriate security practices, as set forth in 50 U.S.C. § 3033(k)(5)(D)(ii)(II).

To enable the whistleblower's direct communication with the Committee, which the Committee formally requested occur tomorrow, September 25, 2019 in the afternoon, the attorney also requested that the whistleblower's three attorneys be provided appropriate security clearances so that they may be in attendance with their client for any communication with the Committee.

This is a reasonable request that the Committee strongly supports and expects your office to process immediately. Given recent declassification of information that the White House has indicated is related to the whistleblower's complaint, and what appears to be the specific subject matter involved in the complaint, providing appropriate security clearances, if even necessary anymore, should be feasible without delay.

Please advise the Committee today that your office is processing the request and by when the whistleblower's attorneys will be granted the necessary clearances to facilitate the whistleblower's statutorily-protected communication with the Committee.

Sincerely,

Adam B. Schiff  
Chairman